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Check in at SJC: The App for all Clubs on Campus

By Lauren Grasham
News Writer

With class schedules and extracurriculars, getting everyone together for a club meeting or event is a well-known hassle that many people throughout SJC's campus have to deal with. A new app may have the solution. It's called Check I'm Here, and allows clubs to take attendance of its members in order to see which students are active members. This involves every group on campus from sports to theatre with hopes of making clubs and sports easier to manage.

The idea to bring the app to campus was recently introduced by John May, director of activities and events, which was then tested and approved by the student senate. "It'll be easier for everyone because it's one central location for all events," John May says. Each extracurricular can be found on one app, making it easy to see different events taking place on campus. With so many emails and different reminders being sent to students throughout the day, the app will help take away the need to search for upcoming meeting dates and reminders.

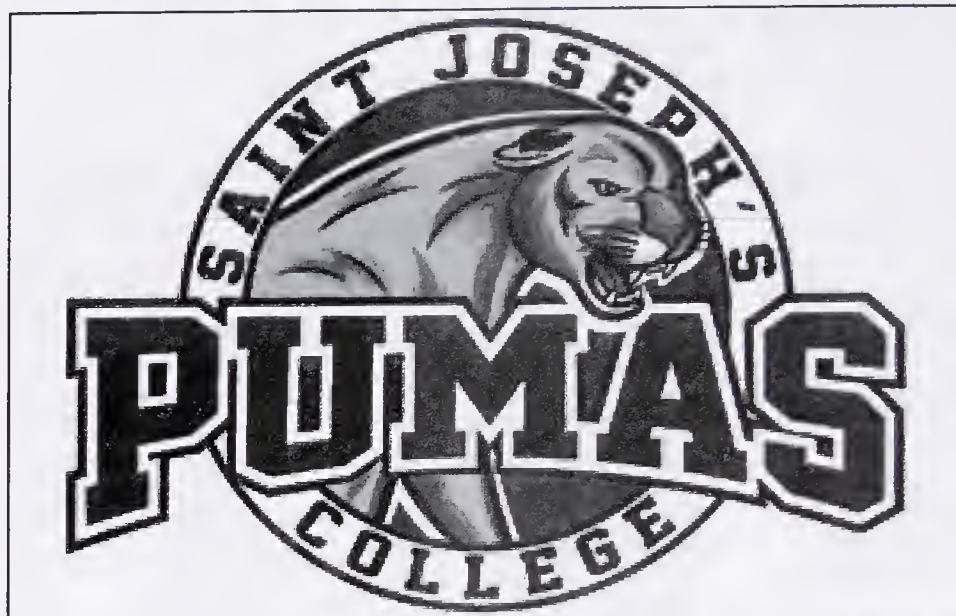
Many clubs have already

started using Check I'm Here, including the Colombian Players, the theatre group on campus. Junior Sam Hoyt, president of the Colombian Players, has high expectations for the app and what it will bring to the group. "As a club president, I think it's going to be a real useful tool," she says. "It lets me keep track of who's in the club, how active they are, and what kinds of programs people attend or don't attend so that we can make membership more enjoyable." Using the

app, presidents and clubs can determine popular events and active members by getting feedback of attendance and participation.

The app is also free and easy to download. Just type "Check I'm Here Saint Joseph's College" in the search engine of the app store on your mobile device. On the home screen of the app, there will be a list of all the events that are going on within the week, making it simple and easy for clubs to get their information

out and for students to stay connected. The app allows users to find certain events being hosted by different campus organizations and add them to their calendars with a reminder. Users can add tags according to their interests, allowing the app to find clubs and activities that each individual can participate in. SJC's Puma Happenings can now be found on Check I'm Here which is now launched and available on any mobile device.



Students can now download SJC's Check I'm Here app on all mobile devices.
Photo courtesy of Saint Joseph's College

SJC's New Show "The Ticket"

By Casey Snow
News Co-Editor

With the upcoming 2016 Presidential Election, students in Fred Berger's TV lab have been taking advantage of a new opportunity. In addition to SJC's live broadcast of TV6 News and Puma Update, a new show will be airing every week providing updates on the upcoming election and current debates brought to campus entirely by students. The show, titled "The Ticket" will introduce a whole new style to SJC's previous broadcasts by allowing students to not only get involved and voice their opinions, but also stay up to date with the election year and the history being made in the world around them.

Junior Casey Snow has been working as producer alongside senior Lindsey Werking as director to prepare the crew for the show's first broadcast scheduled for September 27. With this show hosted by sophomore Political Science major Peter Munro and Jose Arteaga, Political Science major and author of the Observer's political column, the TV6 crew hopes to not only educate campus by keeping up with political events, but also bring in guest

speakers for interviews as well as students on campus in order to share ideas and get a better understanding of the world of politics.

Director Lindsey Werking told The Observer, "Our goal is to educate and inform SJC students about the upcoming election. It can be hard to keep up and follow, but we hope our show will be a resource for students." Within each episode of "The Ticket," Munro will present an update of the latest presidential debate followed by Arteaga giving updates of each Democratic and Republican state. The hosts will then have the opportunity to discuss, debate, and explain different ideas and concepts of different events leading up to Election Day on November 8.

While Munro and Arteaga have been working to host the show by presenting current events, Senior Chloe Broeker is working to involve all students with her Puma on the Street segment. "While we want our show to help students follow the election," Snow told The Observer, "I think one of the most important things is having the opportunity to involve



TV6's show "The Ticket" aims to keep students up to date with current events leading up to the election.

Photo courtesy of Google Images

students and share ideas on such a huge topic." Each week, Broeker will take to campus to allow students and faculty to give their own opinions and ideas, opening up the debate to all of SJC.

While the show is not scheduled to air until September 27, Snow and Werking have worked together to bring a show unlike any other to campus. Snow told The Observer, "We have gotten through a lot of the planning,

but there is still a lot to be done before our first show." The next few weeks will be busy in the TV studio as students prepare to bring the show to life. "A lot of time and work has gone into the planning of the show," Werking told the Observer, "it's something TV6 hasn't done before. Once we start filming it will be worth it and we're excited to see what campus thinks."

Puma Activities Council Unveils Big Homecoming Plans

By Alyssa Cook
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With the month of September now halfway over, the 2016 Homecoming festivities are just around the corner. Every year, Homecoming provides an opportunity for students, alumni, and their families to get together and show their Puma Pride on campus. In the past, the SJC Puma Activities Council has worked tirelessly to bring students an entire week of fun, leading up to Saturday, so students can take a break from school work and get excited for the big game, and this year is no exception.

The alumni association's theme for Homecoming 2016 is "Tradition Lives Here," and PAC is trying to do their part to support the alumni association in their own way: through student involvement. So, PAC is encouraging everyone to get

involved. Those who are up to the challenge can show off their skills during PAC's annual Amazing Race, which starts on the 28th of September. There have been some changes to this year's race, and PAC expects it to be their best one yet. The pep rally will take place on September 30 at the Whispering Wall, but this year, there is a twist. Noll Hall will be holding a Quincy "Hawk Roast" and rally, where students can get together and show their Puma spirit. Then, on Homecoming day, students can look forward to the booths, the coronation of the Homecoming court, the dance, and of course, the big game against Quincy University. Students can also get involved during PAC's "week of salads," and more information on that will be coming in the week ahead.

"This year's Homecoming is all about being a Puma and

living out the mission," said PAC Homecoming Chair, Myia Garner. "The alumni association's theme for this year is 'tradition lives here,' so I thought: what could we as a student body do to live out that theme, and I chose the student body theme of 'through the eyes of a Puma.'"

"Traditions during Homecoming are important because they serve to keep our school grounded," said Special Events Coordinator Caitlin Enright. "It reminds us of the unique family-like culture that SJC has. SJC traditions have been passed down from generation to generation, but it is important for new traditions, so 50 years from now, new current students can see how times have changed and what alumni have put in to place. Hearing the stories from alumni about their experiences keeps the legacy of SJC living."

Active Minds Raises Awareness with Suicide Prevention Day

By Natalie Dziadosz
News Writer

"The World Health Organization estimates that over 800,000 people die by suicide each year – that's one person every 40 seconds. Up to 25 times as many again make a suicide attempt. The tragic ripple effect means that there are many, many more people who have been bereaved by suicide or have been close to someone who has tried to take his or her own life. And this is happening in spite of the fact that suicide is preventable.

"Connect, communicate, care" is the theme of the 2016 World Suicide Prevention Day. These three words are at the heart of suicide prevention." This statement is on the first page of the IASP World Suicide Prevention Day website. This nationally recognized day has three goals: fostering connections with someone who has lost a loved one, stressing to the policymakers the importance of caring about what they're



Students showed their support by contributing to the handpainted mural
Photo Courtesy of Natalie Dziadosz

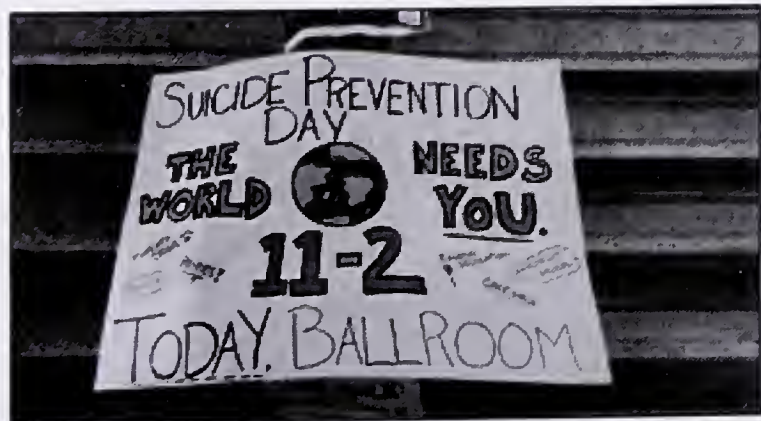
making policies for, and openly communicating about suicide. It is true that when suicide is usually brought up, it is usually in hushed tones and the subject is quickly changed. Some people may think, 'this can't happen to me' or 'no one I know could ever do that,' but one new club on campus is hoping to change all that.

Active Minds had their start rather recently here at SJC, with Lauren Jakubczyk and Nicole Walsh heading up the student portion. This year, Active Minds

led an event on September 9th in honor of the 2016 World Suicide Prevention Day. The event offered students the chance to make a tie-dye t-shirt, cuddle with a therapy dog, and even participate in a raffle.

"The goal of this event," as Lauren Jakubczyk put it, "is to raise awareness about the prevalence of suicide on college campuses, that yes, it can happen to someone you know. We would like to offer a safe place for any person affected by suicide to be able to go to."

Nicole Walsh echoed her words: "The goal of this event and organization is to educate and provide support to college students about the stigmas of suicide." If you are interested in being a part of that message here at Saint Joseph's College, contact either Laura Wagner, Nicole Walsh, or Lauren Jakubczyk. Remember that even here at SJC, you're not alone. If you or anyone you know is considering suicide, please call 1-800-273-TALK (8255) to talk with a member of the Crisis Center.



Active Minds' Suicide Prevention Today included a variety of activities including a balloon dedication and a cake walk
Photo courtesy of Natalie Dziadosz

2016 Election Update: Clinton and Trump Face Off



By Jose Arteaga
Political Columnist

It's finally official. Hillary Clinton is the democratic nominee for President and Donald Trump is the republican nominee. Many voters still believe that Trump is a risky choice for President and lacks the temperament and values to the Commander in Chief, but he is seemed more transformative and better at handling the economy than Clinton. For some, Clinton is seen as a safer option and a majority of voters believe she would better handle foreign policy. With less than two months until Election Day, the two candidates are in a close contest. Clinton has the support of 46% of likely voters to Trump's 44%, according to the latest NY Times poll.

On the trail, Mrs. Clinton is back after a few days rest after her pneumonia diagnosis was revealed; she is back on the trail

hitting swing states. Mr. Trump is in swing states also after he appeared on the Dr. Oz Show to reveal his own physical. With pressure mounting for Trump and Clinton to release more details about their health, they both disclosed letters from their doctors. Trump acknowledged he was overweight and taking a cholesterol-fighting drug, and Clinton elaborated in the circumstances that led to her contracting pneumonia and the medicine she was taking to recover.

Also last week, Former Secretary of State Colin Powell, who has long been one of the high priests of the Washington establishment, has stayed quiet in this year's raucous presidential campaign while tending to his reputation as a thoughtful officer and diplomat. But a hack of Mr. Powell's email this week has ripped away the diplomatic jargon and political niceties to reveal his unvarnished disdain for Donald J. Trump as a "national disgrace," his personal peeves with Hillary Clinton and his lingering, but still very raw, anger with the Republican colleagues with whom he so often clashed a



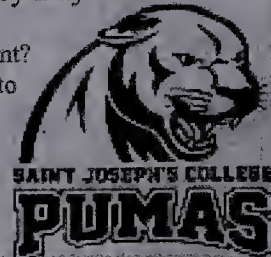
Left: 2016 Presidential Candidates, Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump

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Upcoming Puma Events!

September 22 - PAC Bingo
September 23 - Night at the Lake
September 28 - Measure "Pumpkin Fest"
September 30 - Homecoming Pep Rally
October 1 - Homecoming Football Game
October 1 - Legacy Day

Want to get the word out about your event?
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Hale No!

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On Wednesday, August 31, I was told that Christina Hale, the Democratic candidate for Indiana Lieutenant Governor, would be visiting the campus of Saint Joseph's College that Friday. My initial reaction was one of shock that a figure as prominent as a gubernatorial (governor) ticket candidate, would want to come visit little Saint Joseph's College in the middle of a campaign. After overcoming my initial shock, I became excited that even though it was a candidate from the opposite political party I associate with, I would get the opportunity to meet someone so high up the political chain. On top of that, it would be a great opportunity to expose students on campus to politics. For a more selfish objective, I saw it as the perfect opportunity to leverage the Republican gubernatorial candidate to also come to campus.

On Thursday, while I was mulling over how to reach out to the Holcomb Crouch Republican gubernatorial campaign, I received word from the president of the SJC College

Democrats that the college would not allow Christina Hale to visit. My first reaction was outrage that the administration would deny the students such a great and rare opportunity. My mood then shifted to one of confusion on why this happened. I sent an email to several members of the administration asking what the problem was and how we could avoid it in the future. I met with the Dean of Students the

following Wednesday to talk about all the events that had transpired. He said due to the non-profit status of the college, we could not bring active political campaigns to campus without both parties being represented. Failing to do this would make the campus appear partisan and jeopardize our non-profit status. Also in the future, we needed to go through the

administration before inviting any political figures to campus. While I do not necessarily agree that should be the case, I understand why the administration did what they did and since I am not an expert in non-profit regulations, I must respect their decision.



Above: Member of the Indiana House of Representatives, Christina Hale.
Photo courtesy of Google Images

Improvement or Impairment? To-Go Prices On the Rise

by Brianna Velasco
Opinions Writer

Despite the constant campaigns for new and better products and the common drive to advance into an entirely digital age, progress is not always a positive. I'm not saying we should revert to running around like apes without speech and picking bugs out of each other's hair, but there is a certain charm in living in simplicity. Not to mention fewer major issues.

Technology has added a huge amount to our society, including easier editing and access to ample forms of media. However, with this surge of "progress", society is also being ruined. With everything just a click or search away, the idea of immediate gratification is rampant. People now (especially in our generation and younger) no longer have patience; we expect everything to come to us. We refuse to go out of our way to get it ourselves. In both school and the workplace, people strive to meet standards with as little effort as possible rather than exceed standards by doing the best they possibly can. But the eradication of a healthy work ethic is not the only issue surrounding the so-called progress of humanity.

Children in today's world hardly understand the word

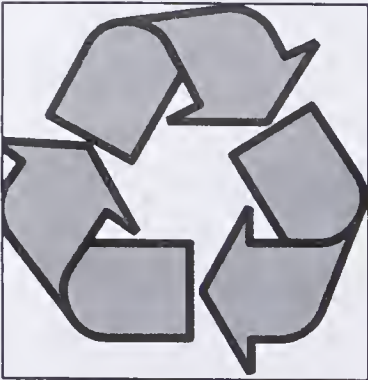
"play" as it once was used. Kids now think of playing in connection with some sort of screen and a virtual world. What happened to the forts made out of kitchen chairs and old sheets, or the old oak tree that became a magical world filled with enchantment and mysterious, other-worldly beings? The majority of children now seem to never be outdoors and those that are, generally carry their loyal devices with them. The social atmosphere of playing cowboys with the kids down the street is a far better way to learn and have fun than is virtual gaming. With this reclusive pastime, young people lose the ability to carry on a conversation and can scarcely look another person in the eye.

Various leaders and inventors boast about the sensational new products and technology that will lead us into a great new age in the future. Yet from these things stem a massive increase in negligence and entitlement, an inability to communicate, and a general lack of consideration and empathy for others. Is this really the incredible progress everyone seems to be bragging about? If so, I'd suggest you hunker down and prepare yourself for a very interesting and bumpy ride.

by Johna Bottoroff
Opinions Writer

If you haven't heard by now, the Hub is making some changes to their prices. One that has gotten the attention of students is the price of 25 cents for to-go containers. Now I can't lie and say I wasn't a little taken aback by the charge. I also brought it up to a few classmates who were also upset. They said, "Sodexo is just trying to make a quick buck off of students." Now that is also what I thought, but I also thought there had to be another reason. So the journalist in me decided to investigate. It also helped that I needed a story for my broadcast journalism class. I went and talked to Darrell Rodin and Chandler Morley and they gave me a new perspective on the new charge. They told me the new charge is to bring attention to how much we waste at Saint Joe. Last year the Hub went through three to four cases of to-go containers and since they started charging they have cut that number in half. Also one major thing that I don't want anyone to look past, is the fact that Sodexo is donating this money. So that 25 cents you are all complaining about, is actually going towards the Green Pumas. Which is

a group devoted to making our campus a cleaner and healthier environment for us to live in. they are not trying to "nickel and dime" us. They are simply trying to open our eyes to how wasteful we are and trying to make our campus a better place. So before you complain about the upcharge, think about where the money is going. We all want Saint Joe to be a better place, this is taking one step in the right direction to achieving that goal.



Above: The Hub is focusing on reducing waste.
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By Justice McGee
Features Writer

The world was destroyed in a nuclear war; it's now 97 years into the future and people have been living in space for a couple of generations.

Did that confuse you? Let's sum it up a bit. *The 100* is your far-from-average postapocalyptic television series. And yes, our close friend, Netflix, is happy to share it with you! *The 100* is an interesting series about exactly 100 very troubled juveniles who were criminals. However, they are given a second chance at life.

In this world, the kids have spent their entire lives living on the Ark, a spaceship. Normally, once you've been arrested for a crime, you are immediately sent to your death. You are "floated," which really means that 'we're about to lock you in a room and open the door so you get sucked out into space' in a nice way. How sweet, right? However, that rule only applies to the adults on the ship. Anyone 18 and older. Juveniles, ages 17 and younger, are not sent to their death when they are arrested. Rather, they are held in prison and given a second trial when they turn 18. And then they are sent to their death!

Except, this last group of juveniles won't make it to their 18th birthdays on the ship because the council has

decided they were going to send 100 prisoners to earth. Reasoning? Those on the ship had lived their lives only dreaming of stepping foot on earth because of the high radiation levels. They believed they would die the second they came into contact with earth's air. They decided to use these 100 prisoners as test subjects.

When the kids get to earth, they are surprised to see that the air has absolutely no effect on them. Because they grew up on a ship, they were more tolerant of radiation. Hallelujah, right? Wrong. They may be totally immune to the radiation, but they've got bigger problems ahead. The people on the Ark had it in their heads that they were the only survivors of the nuclear war. There was absolutely no one left behind alive. Too bad they didn't think to arm a ship full of prisoners... These kids have a whole lot they have to deal with and none of it is pretty.

If you're a fan of tragedy, drama, and romance, you should definitely check out this TV series! This show doesn't just give you all elements of entertainment, but an appreciation for the beauty of the world as well. When you see these kids step off of their ship and embrace the world, the air and the nature, it's beautiful. You must watch it!



Above: A promotional poster for *The 100*. Photo courtesy of Google Images.

Modern Baseball: Holy Ghost

By Justin Hays
Features Writer

In all aspects, aside from musical ability, the members of Modern Baseball could be described as "average joes." They are just four guys from Philly who enjoy drinking beer, eating pizza, and chasing girls. Pulling subject matter from their experiences while attending Drexel University, their songs range from describing failed relationships, rough hangovers, or out of control parties. Getting their start in the living rooms or basements of the many house shows around Philadelphia, the band's sound has matured with their popularity. Their third full-length album, *Holy Ghost*, is a culmination of their maturation and growth as a band and individuals.

Holy Ghost has a different mood compared to Modern Baseball's previous albums, and this is largely due to the recent life experiences of the two songwriters of the band, Brendan Lukens and Jake Ewald. For

instance, the opening track "Holy Ghost," deals with the recent loss of Ewald's grandfather, and the emotional turmoil this loss has caused him. Other tracks on the album are pioneered by Lukens. His recent tumultuous battle with Bipolar Disorder often pervades the lyrics and tones of the songs Lukens takes the lead on. While the subject matter may be more melancholic and introspective, the refinery of the song writing keeps the pensiveness from becoming overbearing. Life is not constantly filled with parties and good times, and the band keeps to the insistence on genuineness by opening up when adversity happens.

The spacious sound on *Holy Ghost* is a marked contrast to their previous albums. The band has moved out of the fast-pace and urgency of playing in house shows, and has graduated to playing sold-out venues. The expansion of venue has given the band the ability to develop their sound to match their song

material. The final two songs of the album "What if..." and "Just Another Face" juxtapose the sound that launched Modern Baseball into popularity and the sound they will continue to grow into with future albums.

Modern Baseball appeals to their fans through their genuine, relatable subject matter, and *Holy Ghost* only grows this appeal. This being their third album, it is no surprise that this is Modern Baseball's most mature work. The members have grown through their experiences with touring, loss, and popularity. The same love for beer, pizza, and girls is there, but there is now an added layer of maturity and jadedness that life can bring.

Despite this extra level of feeling, Modern Baseball still seems like the group of guys down the hall who you know are always down for drinking beer and having a good time any given Saturday night.

SJC Library Undergoes Changes

By Karen Gramajo
Features Writer

During the 2016 summer, Saint Joseph's College went through a lot of changes from the Halleck Center, to the Resident Halls, to the Keith and Kate Robinson Memorial Library. I will focus on the library because of many add-ons to extend resources for students, including the Office of Information Science and Library Instruction and the Office of the International Students. Many changes were made possible by grants the library received over the summer.

With these new offices came new staff members. Reference Librarian Mozhdah Khodaranhmi works in the Office of Information Science & Library Instruction, ready to assist any students. Khodaranhmi has plans to shape the library within the digital era. Her mission is to teach students how to effectively research for both career and educational purposes. She not only wishes to help students with finding sources, but crediting them, and seeking the purpose of the author and origin of the source.

Another new staff member, Landon Wood, also assists

students. He works in The Office of International Students, which assists international students by offering sources to help them assimilate and enculturate in their city or the United States in general. A Thanksgiving trip is already planned for the students to go to Washington D.C. Wood also has plans to expand the international student program; He is aiming to work with the Study Abroad Department, letting students study in the college for a short amount of time.

Along with new offices and staff, the library received two grants over the summer. One was the Private Academic Library Network of Indiana (PALNI) grant and the other was the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). With these grants, the library put on workshops for patrons. The workshops included using Graphic Design, Publisher, Presentation software, etc. These workshops are free and include a certificate of Digital Literacy. They were also able to purchase new laptops for student use.

All of these changes have been beneficial for the student body and faculty.



Above: The album cover for Modern Baseball's *Holy Ghost*. Photo courtesy of Google Images.

Batman: The Telltale Series

By Corey Ristic
Features Writer

Enter the fractured psyche of Bruce Wayne in this dark and violent new story from the award-winning creators of *The Walking Dead - A Telltale Game Series*, and discover the powerful and far-reaching consequences of your choices as the Dark Knight. As Batman, you'll encounter classic allies and adversaries, and as Bruce, you'll learn the true meaning of what it means to be the man behind the cowl. *Batman - The Telltale Series* is divided into five different episodes. This review covers the first playable episode of the game.

The first episode is called "Realm of Shadows." This Batman game delves right into the action with an explosive bank heist that results in a confrontation with Catwoman. This Batman tale is set during the early years of Bruce Wayne's journey as Batman, so everyone he encounters is a new experience. The controls are more like an old fashioned PC game where you click on certain items or characters to interact with instead of button-mashing on your controller.

One thing I noticed when playing the game is that there are several instances where you strictly play as Bruce Wayne. No other Batman game let players have the option of being the man behind the mask. Batman fans will love seeing appearances from Vicki Vale, Harvey Dent, and gangster Carmine Falcone. I really loved the interactions I had as Bruce with Selina Kyle and, not quite commissioner, Lieutenant James Gordon. While the Batman action sequences are quick action set pieces, the Bruce Wayne segments are very heavy in dialogue, and you have to use strategy to keep your identity a secret throughout. I loved how the game gave me, the player, a chance to mold my own version of Bruce Wayne.

Being a huge fan of the Tim Burton Batman films, I molded my Bruce Wayne off of what Michael Keaton brought to the role. He played the Bruce Wayne character as a man that was not comfortable in his own skin. Only as Batman, he fully came to life.

The Batman sequences do feature quite a bit of detective work. I enjoyed this section, as you are allowed to view evidence and try to solve a crime that has just been committed. The game really puts the emphasis on strategy and thinking more than how good you are at the controller. Another important aspect is that you are always given a choice. As Batman, will you be brutal or be merciful? As Bruce Wayne, will you be more outgoing or more anti-social? What's really interesting is seeing at the end of the game how many people agreed or disagreed with your choices. The game definitely has replay value and is highly recommended for fans of Batman or just comic book characters in general.

Since this is only the first episode of the game, I can say that the game looks very impressive. I love the cel shaded graphics, which resemble the comic book feel. I also like that this is a serious Batman game and not just a cartoon. I was also blown away by how many adult situations you encounter throughout the game.



Batman: The Telltale Series is rated M for mature audiences, and is also available on Playstation 4 and PC. The second episode will be available to download at the end this month.

Above: Logo of *Batman: The Telltale Series*. Photo Courtesy of Google Images.

Honey 3: Dare to Dance

By Cameron Adams
Features Writer

The Honey Saga is something many of you might remember from your childhoods. Now, the third film in the saga, *Honey 3: Dare to Dance*, is available both on Netflix and in DVD format.

The movie takes place in Cape Town, South Africa and follows the life of Malea Martin. Malea dreams to be able to put on her own contemporary hip hop dance version of Romeo and Juliet, like Sergei Prokofiev did with his ballet version. Trouble finds her when she is no longer able to do it due to her being kicked out of school for her inability to pay her tuition. Not wanting to give up her dream and hoping to inspire the community around her, she decides to put the production on herself. The whole show is threatened when the conflicts and egos of the cast members begins to tear the entire production apart. Throughout all of the troubles that

she goes through Malea sticks to her dreams and manages to put on a really great show.

The characters in the movie each seem to have their own little cross to bear and problems that they have to deal with, but that isn't necessarily a bad thing. You notice a change for the better in each of the characters involved. The acting in the movie is good, but the dancing that takes place is superb. It adds a level of emotion that I found really inspiring. To me, though, it is the music in the movie that makes it so great. The music that was chosen was done so with extreme care and causes emotions to well up that are then swept and magnified by the dancing that takes place.

One of the things that I appreciated the most about this movie is that it had a clear message: If you keep trying, sometimes your greatest dreams will come true. You could see this happening, and it makes you feel

good.

The film stars Cassie Ventura as Malea, with Kenny Wormald, Dena Kaplan, Sibho Mlambo, Clayton Evertson, and Bobby Lockwood. Billie Woodruff, who directed the first two Honey movies, returns to direct the third as well.

The musical director for the movie is Mark Killian. Killian also features six original compositions on the soundtrack of the movie, which features songs like a remix of "All My Love" by Major Lazer, "Joint (No Sleep)" by Cassie, and "Closer" by JMR.

Are you looking for a great movie with surprising moves, fantastic music, and a feel-good story? Look no further than your Netflix account. Watch this movie. You won't regret it.



Above: Cover of *Honey 3: Dare to Dance*.

Photo Courtesy of Google Images

Dorothy Must Die

By Aimee Hendrickson
Features Writer

Five being the best and one being the worst, I give *Dorothy Must Die* by Danielle Paige 4 Stars. There is no place like home, especially when Dorothy has turned into the dictator of Oz. In the first book of this 4-book series, 17-year-old Amy Gumm from Kansas gets caught up in a tornado that takes her somewhere we've all heard of: Oz. She introduces us to a new side of Dorothy that we did not get to see in the classic *Wizard Of Oz*. Oz is no longer the happy, colorful place with singing munchkins it once was, and it is up to Amy to kill Dorothy and put Oz back together again. Danielle Paige's twist on the classic story pulls you deeper into the twists and turns followed by Amy, who constantly questions whom she can really trust. Can she trust the character who is only there when she is in trouble? Or can she trust Glamora, who was once the evil witch in Oz, until Dorothy came around? Or should she side with Dorothy who has a history similar to her own?

Conflicted with the idea that Oz is a real place and that she will have to practice magic, Amy does not know if she has it in her. Would you have it in you to kill your favorite movie character? Paige uses the same characters from *The Wizard of Oz* but she twists them into completely different people. She also creates a couple new characters who are just as loveable as the old ones, and these haven't turned evil. Speaking of turning evil, not

only has Dorothy become an evil dictator, but she has her four best friends working by her side, the Scarecrow, the Tinman, the not-so-Cowardly lion, and Glinda.

Paige's writing style keeps readers connected to what is happening and makes them feel the same emotions Amy Gumm is feeling. This book is not a mirror of *The Wizard of Oz*; this book is filled with action and adventure. It ends with a cliffhanger, leaving you wanting more.

Three sequels follow this book, each more exciting than the last, and the 4th book comes out in March of 2017. *Dorothy Must Die* also has 7 prequels, each describing how the classic characters turned evil. Every book in the series throws a new question and answers old ones. I have recommended this series to many people and have heard nothing but praise for it, so I now recommend it to you.



Above: Cover of *Dorothy Must Die*. Image Courtesy of Google Images

Patience for the Pumas

By Hannah Wallace
Sports Editor

As students' are five weeks into the fall semester, the men and women's Puma distance crew are about five hundred miles into their fall training. The runners opened up their season on September 10th at the Midwest Open at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. The course is demanding and the weather was unpredictable. The first kilometer is at an uphill, challenging the runners to race smart, and, as Coach Bill Massoels always says, "If you are going to be anything early, be patient." Patience, endurance, and strength is what it took for the pumas to endure the hills and woods on that rainy Saturday.

The men's team was led by

seniors Brian Eurtion and Justin Hays, who both managed a top 10 place finish in their 8k race. Eurtion was in 4th place with a time of 25:47 and Hays trailed in close behind with a 7th place finish and a time of 25:55. Following his fellow seniors was Lane Barrett with another strong finish for the men's team placing 49th with a time of 27:20.

The women's team was led by junior Nikki Thiede who finished in 20th place with a time of 19:17 with teammates Meghan Hennessey and Brooke Wrestler not far behind. The Midwest-Open was a pleasing first meet for the pumas, but the runners have yet to run their best races with promising finishes to come.

On Friday, September 16th, the Pumas traveled to the



*Pictured: Brian Eurtion and Justin Hays
Photo courtesy of Fr. Tim McFarland*

University of Notre Dame for the National Catholic Invitational. The course at Notre Dame is not so much physically challenging as it is mentally. The runners race on Notre Dame's golf course, however, with their being hundreds of runners and tight corners, the odds sometimes stack up against them. After racing only six days prior, the men's team finished 10th place in a field of 28 teams while the women finished 12th out of 30. The men were led by Justin Hays as he managed to finish 10th place with a time of 26:03 while Nikki Thiede led the women in a 20th place finish and a time of 19:02.

The Pumas have trained hard

all summer and only expect success as their training continues and their determination persists. "Patience is key this early into the season. We really don't expect much at this point in the fall, just like we don't expect much early in the race. My expectations for Edwardsville is to see a fairly big spike and then that will carry over to Lewis," says Coach Massoels.

The Pumas have two weeks of intense training ahead of them before their next race. They all are ready to prepare themselves mentally and physically, and return to the John Flamer Invitational in Edwardsville, IL on October 1st with that big spike of PR's that they have been training all summer for.



*Pictured: Brooke Wrestler
Photo courtesy of Susie Hays*

Pumas Slip n' Slide to a Win



*Pictured: Addison Dellinger
Photo Courtesy of Fr. Tim McFarland*

By Christine Manika
Sports Writer

No matter what the weather conditions are the Pumas will play, even if it meant taking a little mud bath. Well, playing in the mud was worth the 13-6 victory over the Alderson Broaddus Battlers. The real game action however did not happen until the 4th quarter with Martez Walker running 100 yards and a touchdown, while also throwing for a touchdown to push the Pumas to a win.

The Battlers were feeling confident after upsetting

Division 1 Robert Morris University during the first weekend of football. The Pumas knew that they had to play their game, and that is exactly what they did.

This game was all about defense for the first 3 quarters. Both teams were pretty evenly matched and remained scoreless until the 4th quarter. Phillip Kimble was quiet due to the pressure of the Battlers, but made a huge play in the 4th when he rolled out to make contact with Latrell Gates for a 21 yard gain. Kimble later had a 16 yard run

that put the Pumas in the Battler's territory. Walker was able to get the touchdown and the Battlers could not answer back. Marcin Gawlak gave the Pumas an extra boost with the extra kick making the score 7-6.

With eight minutes left in the game, the Pumas stood at midfield to complete a 13 play scoring drive. Walker was able to find Addison Dellinger on 2nd and goal giving Dellinger his first touchdown of the season. At this point of the game, the Pumas were up 13-6 giving the Battlers only a 1:44 in the 4th quarter

forcing them to play faster.

Playing with a faster tempo was not normal for the Battlers, but this just made the Puma defense pick up on their game as well forcing turnovers. Final score Pumas 13 Battlers 6. The Pumas will be on the road next weekend for the first time of the season. They will travel to Liberty, Missouri to face off against William-Jewell College with kickoff at 12. Who knows, maybe the Pumas will be tackling snow next weekend? Good luck on the road Pumas!

Upcoming Events

September 23rd

Women's Golf vs USF Fall Invitational at Cobblestone G.C. in Fort Wayne, IN
TBA

Men's and Women's Soccer at University of Illinois Springfield
5:00pm / 7:30pm

Volleyball vs Drury University
7:00pm

September 24th

Women's Golf vs USF Fall Invitational at Cobblestone G.C. in Fort Wayne, IN
TBA

Football vs Missouri S&T
12:00pm

Volleyball vs Missouri S&T
3:00pm

September 25th

Men's and Women's Soccer at McKendry University
12:30pm / 2:00pm

September 26th

Men's Golf vs Midwest Regional in Harborside International Golf Center in Chicago, IL

September 27th

Men's Golf vs Midwest Regional in Harborside International Golf Center in Chicago, IL

September 30th

Men's and Women's Soccer vs University of Southern Indiana
5:00pm / 7:30pm

Volleyball vs Lewis University
5:00pm

October 1st

Men's Golf vs Kyle Ryman Memorial at Mohawk C.C. in Tiffin, OH

Men's and Women's Cross Country at John Flamer Invitational in Edwardsville, IL
10:00am

Volleyball vs Kentucky State University
11:00am

Volleyball vs University of Wisconsin-Parkside
2:00pm

Football vs Quincy University
12:00pm

Volleyball 'Hits' the Road for GLVC

By Madyson Anthony
Sports Writer

As we start to get back into the rhythm of college again, fall sports are now beginning their conference play. In the past two weeks, the women's volleyball team has been to Memphis and Detroit to compete in preseason tournaments. The team went 1-3 in both tournaments. The Lady Pumas officially started GLVC conference play on Friday, September 16, 2016 against Maryville University in St. Louis, Missouri.

The team unfortunately lost the match with game scores of 2-7 and 0-1. Despite the loss, Junior Bridget Krasowski executed an impressive 11 kills, the team high, followed closely by Freshman Julia Kruzan with 10 ten kills. On Saturday, September 17, 2016, the team went on to face the University of Missouri in their second conference game. The team took another loss, losing 1 out of four games in the match.

With eight strong freshmen



Above: The 2016-2017 Women's Volleyball Team. Photo courtesy of Fr. Tim McFarland

joining the team this season, Assistant Coach Sean Keeve hopes to complete the puzzle and change history with a new, fresh-faced and improved volleyball program. In an interview with Keeve, he gave his thoughts on the season so far and hopes of what lies ahead for the Lady Pumas:

MA: What are your goals for this season as a coach?

SK: They've changed from the

beginning of the year. I want to communicate with players and figure out a way to have the most success from practice and off the court to games. I also want to never stop learning, especially when it comes to how to coach, train, and communicate.

MA: What are you looking forward to this year?

SK: I'm looking forward to seeing us grow. Especially seeing the upperclassmen grow into their

leadership roles and take the freshmen under their wings to help them have success as well.

MA: What do you believe will make this season better than the last?

SK: Having new people buy into the program is important because it's a new experience for them, and they can buy in completely to what we believe in. Also, our opponents haven't seen the freshmen, don't know what

they're capable of, and aren't prepared to face us in matches.

Not only do the coaches have positive mindsets about this upcoming season, but the freshmen are excited for the new level of competition and responsibility as well. Athlete of the Week and Freshmen Right Side Hitter Julia Kruzan reflects on her first year so far by saying, "I'm loving everything about it. The competition, my teammates, and our team atmosphere. We've been working hard these past couple of weeks and I cannot wait to see what our season brings."

The Women's Volleyball team will be competing in several home conference games in the next week including Drury University on September 23, Missouri S&T on September 24, Lewis University on September 30, and University of Wisconsin-Parkside and Kentucky State University on October 1.

Athlete Spotlight: Tremel Glasper

By Josie Gropp
Sports Writer



Photo courtesy of SJC Athletics

Glasper is a wide receiver on the Puma Football Team. He is a Junior, majoring in Criminal Justice, and a Redshirt Sophomore of the team, with the Puma Football number 84. Tremel is originally from Los Angeles, CA, but in 2008 moved to Dallas, Texas where his aunt recommended him to try football.

Q: What are you looking forward to this season?

A: I am looking forward to contending for a conference title and putting Collegeville, IN on the map.

Q: What are your goals for this season?

A: My goals for this season are to win conference and to personally be a 1st team All Conference Wide Receiver.

Q: Who is your role model?

A: My role model is Malcolm X; his mindset of taking what is yours "by any means necessary" has always stuck

with me.

Q: What are your favorite memories school or football related?

A: My favorite memories are the dog days we go through as a team where the coaches put us through hell, but we stay together and push through in order to get better.

Q: What do you like most about SJC and playing football here?

A: I love all of my teammates and how SJC gives everyone an opportunity to get involved (just look at my email signature).

Q: What have you learned from your experiences at SJC so far?

A: Since I've been at this school, I've learned to take risks and that change isn't a bad thing.

Q: What are your hobbies?

A: My hobbies include playing music. I play three instruments: alto saxophone, upright bass, and drums. I also like watching horror and doomsday movies. They're my favorite genres.

Q: Favorite ice cream flavor?

A: My Favorite ice cream flavor is a tie between cookies and cream and cookie dough.

Q: What is your Zodiac Sign?

A: My Zodiac sign is Aries

Women's Soccer 'Kicks' off Season

By Bronte Eather
Sports Writer

On the 8th of September, Saint Joseph's College's Women's Soccer team travelled to Missouri to play their opening conference games against Missouri S&T and Drury University. With heavy lightning storms, the first game was cancelled and left the Lady Pumas walking away empty handed. The women's second game saw brighter skies, as the Pumas were able to tie the game 1-1.

The game against Drury University, on the 11th of September, was the first GLVC conference game of the Lady Pumas' season. The game was held at a stalemate until the 40th minute of the game, where a mix up between Drury players led to a goal, giving the Pumas an edge in the game. Drury was able to counterattack in the 55th minute

bringing the score to 1-1. The game stayed that way with the great effort of goal keeper, senior Melissa Kuhar, making a total of 12 saves in the game.

Overall, The away trip was not a failure. Despite a broken down bus and a cancelled game, the SJC soccer girls are now ready to take on the rest of the competition. "We had a rough weekend with the buses and the weather, but we showed great potential in our match and I am looking forward to see how we play in the rest of the season," says Kuhar about the weekend's matches.

On the September 16 and 18, the Lady Pumas competed in two more games. On Friday, September 16, the match up against Rockhurst University gave the Lady Pumas' their first conference loss, with a 0-4 box score. At half time, the Pumas were down by one, but lost their

focus in the second half and ended up losing by four. The ladies bounced back on Sunday and came up with a 0-0 draw against William Jewel College. The game, going into double overtime, was a test for the girls with near misses from some of the attacking Pumas.

Freshman forward, Londyn Feasel, commented on the game. "We are excited to get back on the road and see how our new team goes up against our competition. This weekend was a battle for us, but we came out with a point for our record so we have momentum going into our next games."

Next weekend on September 23, the team travels to Illinois for their upcoming conference matches. The weekend's games will be played at University of Springfield, Illinois, and Mckendree University



The Lady Pumas gather for a mid-game huddle to regroup. Photo Courtesy of Susan Kelly-Johnson

Creative Corner

Changes in The Art Department

By: Meghan Hennessey
Creative Page Editor



Ceramics Students Work on Their Most Recent Projects
Photo Courtesy of Meghan Hennessey



Front Entrance to the SJC Art Department in Raleigh Hall
Photo Courtesy of Corey Crum

The end of the 2015-2016 school year marked the start of a new beginning in the Saint Joseph’s College Art Department. One of SJC’s most loved Art professors and head of the Art Department, Bonnie Zimmer, retired leaving her legacy for Art professor Corey Crum to take over. Professor Crum came to SJC in 2009 and has taught a variety of Art classes as well as Cores 5 and 6. With professor Zimmer’s retirement, professor Crum became the new head of the Art Department at SJC.

Professor Crum has enjoyed teaching all of his classes at SJC; however, he says that

Painting and Ceramics have been his favorites. He says, “I love assisting my students and helping them understand and learn the process. When students struggle with the material and suddenly experience the ‘aha moment’, it makes my job valuable and rewarding.” Professor Crum says that he enjoys ceramics “because students learn to make both sculptures, and functional pottery” and “the medium is constantly changing and adapting with new techniques in firing and glazing.”

Throughout the summer professor Crum worked alongside many student volunteers, SJC housekeeping, physical plant, and paint crew

to give the Art Department a fresh new look. Practically every surface in the department was painted and each of the studios was deep cleaned. The various studio layouts were reorganized to reflect the changing needs of the department and to create functional, esthetically appealing spaces.

As the school year progresses professor Crum hopes to make more than just physical changes in the department. He is excited to expand the department potentially teaming up with other academic departments at SJC to offer non-Art major students a chance to expand their artistic and creative thinking skills. In the future, professor Crum plans on inviting

different visiting artists to give guest lectures and critiques. He would also like to add more sculptural pieces to the SJC campus.

This semester the Art Department has offered Basic Design, Drawing, Graphic Design, Art History, Ceramics, and Senior Seminar. Basic Design and Drawing are foundational classes that give students the necessary skills needed to create two-dimensional works. Senior Seminar is a two-semester course that senior Art majors enroll in. During the course seniors will “investigate and create a mature body of work to exhibit”, says professor Crum. They will also “prepare

professional materials” readying themselves for careers after graduation from SJC. Courses such as animation, photography, painting, printmaking, textiles, mosaics, glass, and pottery wheel –throwing have also been offered in the past. Professor Crum hopes to add even more classes like mural painting and jewelry making. He says that he values the importance of public art and believes students should experience the processes involved in creating public art works.

While the Art Department was sad to see Professor Zimmer leave, it is looking forward to a new beginning embracing all of the new changes coming its way!

Gone

By: Hannah Wallace

Gone

You came to me so subtle
Said goodbye as our first hello

There we both were - lost
And there I was

Oblivious to the utmost perfection that stood before me
The kind of perfection that shyly dances toward you

Slowly

And the snow began to fall under the golden lights of the city
And the snow was not alone in its falling

I fell with it
Madly, deeply, and beautifully into you

And you fell, too
Madly, deeply, and beautifully into me

But the thing about that much beauty
Is that sometimes, it blinds us

The next time the snow fell under those city lights
I think it took me with it

Falling further, deeper, non-existent away from you
And now here we both are - apart

But you came to me so subtle
Said goodbye as our first hello

And then
You just said goodbye



Ceramics Student Kimberly McCloughly Adds Finishing Touches to Her Coil Pot
Photo Courtesy of Meghan Hennessey

Upcoming Events

There will be an Art Club field trip to Art Expo in Chicago at Navy Pier- September 25th

Measure is hosting a “Pumpkin-fest” and open-mic reading on September 28th in the North Lounge of the Halleck Student Center

Fair Oaks Farm will be hosting their “Cowtoberfest” and they have asked for Art Club volunteers to help run and manage an art tent on Saturday October 8th from 12pm-4pm.

Art students have been asked to design the t-shirt logo for the upcoming Zombie 5K run/walk on October 28th

Art Club will be hosting the kids/adults art tent at Homecoming Oct. 1